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Applicants : Wenling Wang, et al.

U.S. Serial No.: 09/963,381

Group Art Unit: 2812

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For : HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS AND CONTROLLER FOR HEAT
TREATMENT APPARATUS AND CONTROL METHOD FOR HEAT
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Also being filed concurrently herewith is a Statement under 37 CFR §3.73(b).

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Entitled: HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS AND CONTROLLER FOR HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS AND
CONTROL METHOD FOR HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS

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METHOD FOR HEAT TREATMENT APPARATUS**

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Name of sole or first inventor

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Date Feb 18, 2003

Koichi SAKAMOTO
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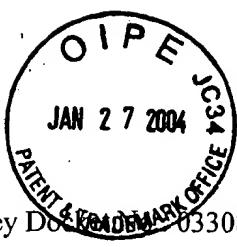
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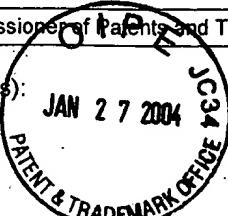
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